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The Honorable Charles L.A. Terreni  
Chief Clerk/Administrator  
**Public Service Commission of South Carolina**  
Post Office Box 11649  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: Application of Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. for Approval  
of the Transfer of its Water Utility System and Territory Serving the  
Pleasant Hills Subdivision in Lancaster County to the Lancaster  
County Water and Sewer District; Docket No. 2006-112-W

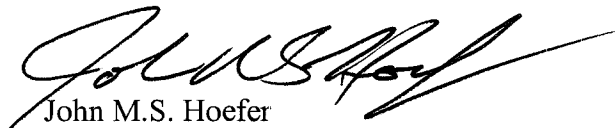
Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing please find the original and five (5) copies of the Affidavit of Publication and Affidavit of Mailing in the above-referenced matter. By copy of this letter, I am serving the Office of Regulatory Staff with a copy of same and enclose a certificate of service to that effect. I would appreciate your acknowledging receipt of this document by date-stamping the extra copy that is enclosed and returning it to me in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

If you have any questions or if you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

**WILLOUGHBY & HOEFER, P.A.**

  
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**DOCKET NO. 2006-112-W**  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
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UTILITIES SERVICES OF SOUTH CAROLINA, INC. - APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE TRANSFER OF ITS WATER SYSTEM SERVING PLEASANT HILLS SUBDIVISION TO LANCASTER COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT  
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A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Synergy Business Park, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, the Commission's website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) and is available from John M.S. Hoefer, Esquire, Willoughby & Hoefer, P.A., Post Office Box 8416, Columbia, South Carolina 29202.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Petition. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at a hearing concerning these matters should notify, in writing, the Docketing Department at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, Post Office Box 11263 Columbia, South Carolina

29211 and John M. S. Hoefer, Esquire, Willoughby & Hoefer, P.A., Post Office Box 8416, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8416 on or before May 25, 2006. Please refer to Docket No. 2006-112-W.

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Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
Attn: Docketing Department  
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Diane M. Swartz  
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**AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING**

Personally appeared before me, Kirsten E. Weeks, who after being duly sworn, deposes and states as follows: I am the above-referenced Applicant's Manager of Regulatory Accounting. I caused to be mailed on the 5th day of May, 2006, via First Class Mail, to all affected customers of the Applicant at the customer addresses maintained in the company's billing records, one copy of the attached Notice of Filing in the above-captioned matter.

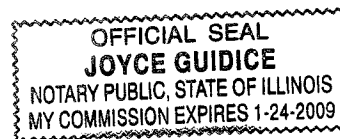
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This 24 day of May, 2006

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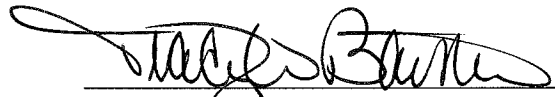
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that I have caused to be served this day one (1) copy of **Affidavit of Publication and Affidavit of Mailing** by placing same in the care and custody of the United States Postal Service with first class postage affixed thereto and addressed as follows:

Wendy B. Cartledge, Esquire  
**Office of Regulatory Staff**  
Post Office Box 11263  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

  
Tracy W. Barnes

Columbia, South Carolina  
This 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2006.